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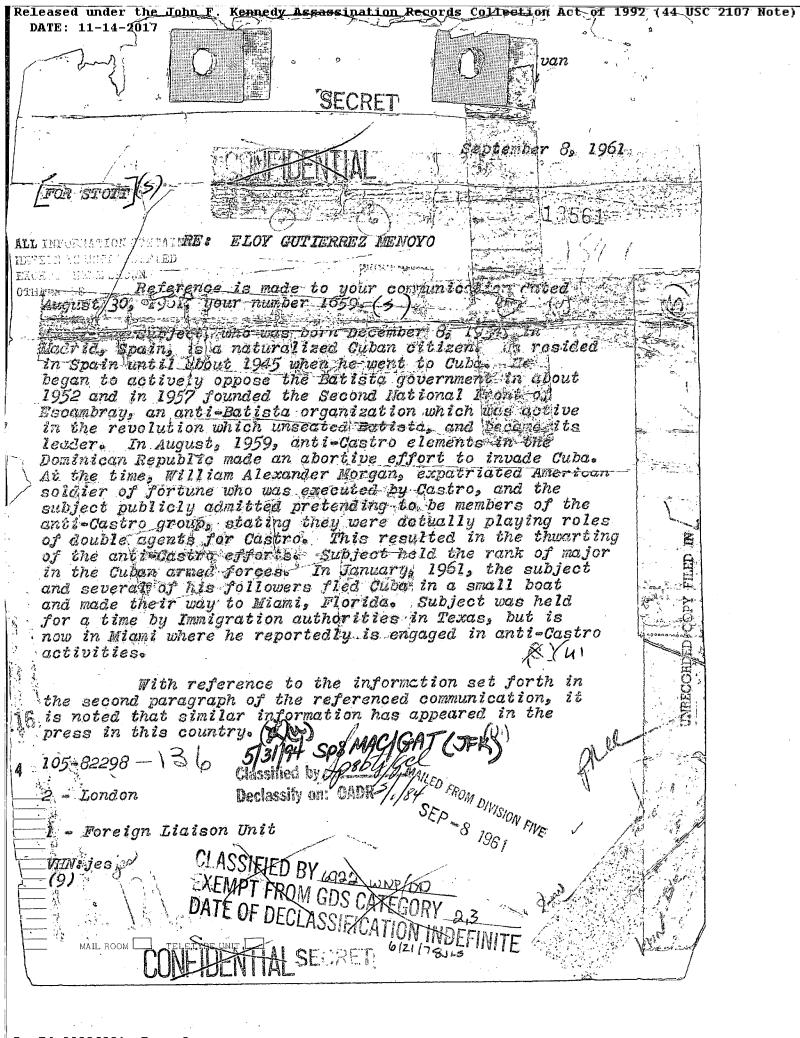
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Subject stated that he went by plane from Brussels to Paris, France, and remained there for about fifteen days during which time he lived at the home of an employee at the Cuban Embassy. He stated that during this time he visited the Spanish president in exile who lived in Paris. He stated that when his vacation in Paris was nearly completed he attempted to arrange for return to Cuba by way of United States, but could not do so. He finally obtained airline tickets for a return flight by way of Lisbon, Portugal, Santa Maria in the Azores and from there to Cuba. Subject stated he spent six days in Santa Maria waiting for the Madrid-Havana plane. While there, he stated that Portuguese authorities examined him very closely.

Im commenting on his European trip, subject stated the trip had no intelligence or espionage aspect or significance. He stated that he made the trip solely to visit relatives in Spain and to vacation for a few days in Belgium and France. He emphatically denied going to Europe to carry out anti-Franco activities or any activities connected with DRIL. In addition, the subject denied any connection whatsoever with the seizure of the "Santa Maria" in January, 1961, and has stated he had never heard of Galvao.

For your information, the subject, upon interview, described himself as being bitterly anticommunist.